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FOR MOOSE FROM MCMANAWAY

E.O. 11652:GDS

TAGS: OVIP (VANCE, CYRUS), OGEN

SUBJECT:THIS AND THAT

1. CANARY ISLANDS DISASTER

-- OUR EFFORTS IN SUPPORT OF PAN AM CONTINUE TO GO WELL.
THE AIRLIFT OF CASUALTIES IS PRESENTLY SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE
CONUS AT 0100 EST TOMORROW AND THE MOST SERIOUS CASES WILL
BE MOVED IMMEDIATELY TO THE BEST BURN TREATMENT CENTER IN
THE COUNTRY IN SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS. ASSUME YOU ARE READING
SPECIAL SITREPS FOR DETAILS.

2. FY 78 HEARINGS

-- THE SFRC HAS SCHEDULED HEARINGS ON OUR FY 78 AUTHORIZA-
TION FOR 7 APRIL. YOU ARE EXPECTED TO BE THE PRINCIPAL
WITNESS. A/BF BELIEVES THE STATEMENT YOU USED BEFORE THE
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HIRC WILL SUFFICE WITH ONLY MINOR MODIFICATIONS AND THAT
WILL BE READY FOR YOUR REVIEW ON YOUR RETURN. I RECALL,
HOWEVER, THAT YOU WERE NOT SATISFIED WITH THE STAFFING YOU
RECEIVED FOR YOUR HOUSE APPEARANCE. I HAVE DISCUSSED THIS
WITH A/BF AND THEY ARE PREPARING MORE EXTENSIVELY THAN THEY
HAD TIME TO DO BEFORE YOUR HIRC HEARING.

-- THIS DEVELOPMENT RAISES THE NEED TO RESPOND TO THE "52 QUESTIONS." YOU HAVE THE PROPOSED RESPONSES TO 51 OF THESE AND WE NEED YOUR CLEARANCE SOONEST. BENNET HAS CLEARED. WITH REGARD TO THE 52ND QUESTION, WE HAVE AMPLE CLEARANCES HERE.

3. DEPARTURE OF AMBASSADOR BYROADE

-- ON THE RECOMMENDATION OF ROY ATHERTON AND THE CONCURRENCE OF CAROL LAISE, I AGREED TODAY TO A REQUEST FROM AMBASSADOR BYROADE TO POSTPONE HIS DEPARTURE FROM ISLAMABAD FROM APRIL 13 TO APRIL 20. SUBSEQUENT TO THE SETTING OF BYROADE'S ORIGINAL DEPARTURE DATE, HE RECEIVED WORD THAT PRIME MINISTER BHUTTO WAS PREPARED TO BEGIN SENSITIVE DISCUSSIONS ON PAKISTAN'S INTENDED PURCHASE OF A FRENCH NUCLEAR REPROCESSING FACILITY AND THE DEPARTMENT HAS SENT INSTRUCTIONS FOR THOSE DISCUSSIONS. ROY FEELS BYROADE SHOULD INITIATE THOSE DISCUSSIONS.

4. NEW AMBASSADORS' COURSE

-- I UNDERSTAND YOU WERE NOT ABLE TO CONTACT SHIRLEY TEMPLE BLACK BEFORE LEAVING ABOUT CO-CHAIRING THE COURSE. DO YOU WANT ME OR SPRINGSTEEN OR SOMEONE ELSE TO DO SO?

5. ZBB TASK FORCE

-- WE HAVE BEEN MOVING AHEAD ON ZBB AND THE TASK FORCE
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WILL MEET THURSDAY. A/BF IS SO COOPERATIVE WE'RE GETTING WORRIED.

6. FROM KENNEDY

-- AS YOU NO DOUBT KNOW FROM TARNOFF, POT HAS BEEN BOILING ON AMBASSADORIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS. HIGH LEVEL DECISION WAS TAKEN THIS AFTERNOON AND THIRTEEN REQUESTS FOR AGREEMENT HAVE GONE OUT.

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-- EUR WAVERING ON VLADIMIR AS SUFFICIENTLY QUALIFIED FOR OPENING NEW POST. BELIEVE, HOWEVER, YOU CAN BE ASSURED THAT NEW GSO WILL BE ON BOARD SOONEST.

7. EVERYTHING FINE AT HOME. CHEERS.
CHRISTOPHER

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